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## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A method for cleaning a glass substrate for a magnetic recording medium comprising washing said glass substrate in anode water that is produced in an anode side by electrolysis of pure water having a resistivity of at least  $10 \, \mathrm{M}\Omega\text{-cm}$ .
- 2. A method for cleaning a glass substrate according to claim 1, wherein said anode water includes an electrolyte selected from a group consisting of hydrochloric acid, sulfuric acid, nitric acid, phosphoric acid, malic acid, citric acid, and succinic acid in a concentration of greater than zero and not more than 100 mM.
- 3. A method for cleaning a glass substrate for a magnetic recording medium comprising:

washing said substrate in pure water having a resistivity of at least 10  $M\Omega$ -cm; and

said pure water containing a substance selected from oxygen and ozone in a concentration of from  $0.1~\rm ppm$  to  $10,\!000~\rm ppm$ .

- 4. A glass substrate for a magnetic recording medium that is cleaned by the method for cleaning defined by claim 1.
- 5. A glass substrate for a magnetic recording medium that is cleaned by the method for cleaning defined by claim 3.
  - 6. A magnetic recording medium comprising:
  - a glass substrate according to claim 5;

at least a magnetic layer and a protective layer sequentially formed on said glass substrate; and

a liquid lubricant layer on said protective layer.

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7. A magnetic recording medium comprising:

a glass substrate according to claim 4;

at least a magnetic layer and a protective layer sequentially formed on said glass substrate; and

a liquid lubricant layer on said protective layer.

8. A method for cleaning a glass substrate for a magnetic recording medium comprising:

producing anode water at an anode side of an electrolysis apparatus using water having a resistivity of at least 10 M $\Omega$ -cm;

adding an electrolyte to said water;

said electrolyte being selected from the group consisting of hydrochloric acid, sulfuric acid, nitric acid, phosphoric acid, malic acid, citric acid, and succinic acid in a concentration of not more than about 100 mM after said electrolysis; and washing said glass substrate with said anode water.

9. A method for cleaning a glass substrate for a magnetic recording medium comprising:

producing an anode water at an anode side of an electrolysis apparatus; said anode water having a resistivity of at least 10 M $\Omega$ -cm; adding an electrolyte to said water;

said electrolyte being selected from the group consisting of hydrochloric acid, sulfuric acid, nitric acid, phosphoric acid, malic acid, citric acid, and succinic acid in a concentration of not more than about 100 mM after said electrolysis; and washing said glass substrate with said anode water.